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Certificates held:

Royal Society for the Promotion of Health:

(a) Public Health Inspector.
(b) Inspector of Meat and Other Foods.
(c) City and Guilds of London Finalist.
(d) Certificates, Building Construction, Technical Drawing etc.

Other Appointments held:

Surveyor.
Inspector under the Petroleum Acts.

Additional Public Health Inspectors (Wholetime)

F. SKIRROW, C.R.S.I., M.A.P.H.I.

Certificates held:

Royal Society for the Promotion of Health:

(a) Public Health Inspector.
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(c) Certificate in Sanitary Science as applied to Buildings and Public Works.

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Certificates held:

Royal Society for the Promotion of Health:

(a) Public Health Inspector.
(b) Inspector of Meat and Other Foods.

M. DODSWORTH, C.R.S.I., M.A.P.H.I.

Certificates held:

(a) Public Health Inspector.
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ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1958

To: The Chairman and Members of Flaxton Rural District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in submitting the Annual Report for 1958 on the Health and Sanitary circumstances of the District.

Our birth rate is a little higher than that for the country as a whole, our death rate is a little lower, and those other rates which are taken to be a measure of health compare favourably also.

No case of diphtheria occurred during the year, and after two years in which no case of poliomyelitis occurred, one case in 1958 spoiled the record. This case was a child, registered for vaccination, but owing to other hospital appointments, had been unable to attend on the date offered.

Late in 1952, immunisation against whooping cough was adopted as an official policy in the Riding, and the notified incidence over the subsequent 6 years has fallen to one quarter of that in the preceding similar period. Whilst this may not mean that the actual incidence has fallen to such an extent, at least it means that if cases occur, they are so mild as to be undiagnosed as whooping cough.

Pulmonary tuberculosis notifications have remained stationary over the last few years, although deaths from tuberculosis have fallen measurably. This trend points to the effectiveness of treatment, provided the case is discovered early, but much remains to be done before we can be satisfied with the position.

The district is undergoing considerable change in population distribution, as vast housing estates are being erected by private enterprise. This trend necessitates a continual review of the services provided by the County Council in the area, and when changes have been needed, e.g. to the nursing areas and establishment, in the pregnancy and infant welfare clinics, these have been carried out. One difficulty that has arisen lies in the fact that as these housing estates grow, such premises as village halls or other community centres do not appear at the same time, or existing premises become earmarked for extra school classes, with the result that accommodation for infant welfare clinics cannot be found. This rapid development of parts of the District has, of course, important repercussions on our system of water mains, sewerage services, and refuse collection, which in a similar way require to be reviewed constantly less they prove inadequate.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

H. GRAY, M.D., Ch.B., D.P.H.

Medical Officer of Health.

VITAL STATISTICS

Population of the Rural District - 24,140

LIVE BIRTHS		MALES	FEMALES	TOTAL	GRAND TOTAL	CRUDE RATE PER 1,000 POPULATION	ILLEGITIMATE BIRTH % OF TOTAL LIVE BIRTH
1954	Legitimate	159	136	295			
	Illegitimate	5	5	10	305	15.00	3.28
1955	Legitimate	165	131	296			
	Illegitimate	3	4	7	303	14.53	2.31
1956	Legitimate	188	155	343			
	Illegitimate	1	6	7	350	15.90	2.0
1957	Legitimate	185	165	350			
	Illegitimate	3	7	10	360	15.63	2.77
1958	Legitimate	228	194	422			
	Illegitimate	4	4	8	430	17.81	1.86
STILL BIRTHS							
1954	Legitimate	5	2	7			
	Illegitimate	-	-	-	7	22.44	
1955	Legitimate	4	3	7			
	Illegitimate	-	-	-	7	22.58	
1956	Legitimate	4	4	8			
	Illegitimate	1	-	1	9	25.06	
1957	Legitimate	5	3	8			
	Illegitimate	-	-	-	8	22.22	
1958	Legitimate	4	6	10			
	Illegitimate	-	-	-	10	23.25	

DEATHS	MALES	FEMALES	TOTAL	RATE PER 1,000 OF ESTIMATED POPULATION
1954	128	158	286	14.06
1955	108	139	247	11.84
1956	151	131	282	12.82
1957	120	136	256	11.09
1958	128	147	275	11.39

MATERNAL MORTALITY

1954 ... ... Maternal causes 1
Rate per 1,000 births .. 3.20
1955 ... ... NIL
1956 ... ... NIL
1957 ... ... NIL
1958 ... ... NIL

INFANT MORTALITY (Deaths of infants under one year)

	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958
All infants per 1,000 Live Births	36.06	23.1	20.0	16.6	16.28
Legitimate Infants per 1,000 Live Legitimate Births	33.90	40.54	17.20	17.14	16.59
Illegitimate Infants per 1,000 Live Illegitimate Births	100.00	NIL	142.86	NIL	NIL

TABLE OF COMPARATIVE RATES:

BIRTH RATE	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958
England and Wales	15.20	15.00	15.7	16.1	16.4
Flaxton R.D.	16.35	15.83	16.54	16.5	18.4
DEATH RATE					
England and Wales	11.30	11.70	11.70	11.5	11.7
Flaxton R.D.	14.78	12.43	9.49	11.11	10.1
MATERNAL MORTALITY RATE					
England and Wales	0.69	0.64	0.56	NIL	0.43
Flaxton R.D.	3.20	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
INFANT MORTALITY RATE					
England and Wales	25.50	24.70	23.8	23.0	22.5
Flaxton R.D.	36.06	23.1	20.0	16.6	16.28

CAUSES OF DEATH

	1954		1955		1956		1957		1958	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
1. Tuberculosis, respiratory	1	2	3	2	3	-	4	-	-	-
2. Tuberculosis, other	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
3. Syphlitic diseases	1	-	1	-	-	1	1	1	-	-
4. Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5. Whooping cough	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6. Meningococcal infections	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7. Acute Poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8. Measles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9. Other infective and par. diseases	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
10. Malignant neoplasm - stomach	3	4	2	3	2	1	2	6	1	5
11. " " - lung, bronchus	3	1	5	-	5	1	3	1	6	-
12. " " - breast	-	2	-	4	-	4	-	6	-	5
13. " " - uterus	-	2	-	1	-	2	-	3	-	3
14. Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	13	7	6	6	7	6	6	7	14	9
15. Leukaemia, aleukaemia	1	-	2	1	1	-	1	1	2	1
16. Diabetes	-	2	-	1	2	2	-	2	1	-
17. Vascular lesions of the nervous system	15	17	6	19	21	21	8	10	13	18
18. Coronary diseases, angina	18	13	21	14	20	7	25	20	22	14
19. Hypertension with heart disease	8	5	6	6	10	7	5	9	3	12
20. Other heart diseases	25	53	26	52	32	43	26	36	22	49
21. Other circulatory diseases	8	14	6	2	9	7	5	10	5	5
22. Influenza	-	-	-	1	2	3	5	1	-	1
23. Pneumonia	5	6	1	5	3	1	6	4	3	6
24. Bronchitis	3	3	8	3	8	1	5	3	12	5
25. Other diseases of the respiratory system	-	1	1	2	1	-	-	1	1	-
26. Ulcer of the stomach and duodenum	2	-	1	-	3	1	2	1	-	-
27. Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	3	-
28. Nephritis and nephrosis	5	2	-	1	2	4	2	1	1	2
29. Hyperplasia of prostate	2	-	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
30. Pregnancy, childbirth and abortion	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
31. Congenital malformations	1	4	1	-	1	2	-	-	1	-
32. Other defined and ill-defined diseases	7	11	6	10	9	13	8	9	7	8
33. Motor vehicle accidents	3	1	1	1	3	1	1	2	3	1
34. All other accidents	-	6	2	3	5	2	2	1	6	2
35. Suicide	2	1	-	2	1	-	1	1	2	1
36. Homicide and operations of war	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	128	158	108	139	151	131	120	136	128	147

GENERAL PROVISIONS OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA

Many of the Health Services carried out by the County Council as Local Health Authority are administered by the Area Health Sub-Committee which meets monthly at Easingwold. The Flaxton R.D.C. is represented on this body.

PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS

Details of Officers are listed at the beginning of the Report.

LABORATORY FACILITIES

Bacteriological and chemical examinations of milk, water and effluents are carried out for the Council by the County Public Health Laboratory, Messrs. T. Fairley & Partners of Leeds, and the Laboratory of the Rivers Board at Wakefield.

AMBULANCE

The Ambulance Station serving the area is situate at Haxby. Telephone number - day or night, YORK 68181.

DISTRICT NURSE/MIDWIVES

A District Nursing Service covers the area and the Nurses and the districts they cover are as follows:

Clifton Without and Rawcliffe

Nurse Southam, 26 Melton Avenue, Clifton, York. Telephone: York 54714.

Haxby, Wigginton & Skelton

Nurse Hurdus, School House, Haxby, York. Telephone: York 68519.

Huntington, Earswick & New Earswick

* Nurse Atkinson, 1 Rowan Place, New Earswick, York. Telephone: York 68280.
and
Nurse Vale, 132 North Moor, Huntington, York. Telephone: York 68194.

Buttercrambe, Bossall, Claxton, Harton, Heworth, Holtby, Gate Helmsley, Upper Helmsley, Osbaldwick, Sand Hutton, Stockton-on-Forest and Warthill

Nurse Emmerson, 4 Vyner Street, Haxby Road, York. Telephone: York 22068
Nurse Gibson, 17 Galtres Road, Stockton Lane, York. Telephone: York 53449

Flaxton, Strensall, Towthorpe and Lilling

* Nurse Henderson, Armordale, Station Road, Flaxton. Telephone: Flaxton Moor 265.

HEALTH VISITORS

It has been the County Council policy for some time to separate the duties of health visitors from nursing and midwifery in the more populated parts of the Riding. Only Nurses Henderson and Atkinson carry out the combined duties within the area. The remainder of the district is covered for health visiting by three full time nurses. These are:

Nurse Tindall, 5 Elmfield Avenue, Malton Road - Clifton, Rawcliffe and New Earswick.

Nurse Withen, 9 Tang Hall Lane - Heworth, Osbaldwick, Murton, Bossall, Claxton, Gate Helmsley, Harton, Holtby, Sand Hutton, Stockton-on-Forest, Upper Helmsley and Warthill.

Nurse Lockhart, Meadowfields Drive, Huntington Road - Haxby, Wigginton, Skelton and Strensall Camp.
(Post now vacant)

DOMESTIC HELP SERVICE

A comprehensive Domestic Help Service is in operation throughout the area, and arrangements for assistance can be made through the County Area Health Office, Manor Road, Easingwold. Telephone: 324.

Applicants for Domestic Help are informed that a standard hourly charge is in force, but they are all offered the opportunity of being assessed according to financial circumstances. The charges paid vary from the maximum of 3/- per hour down to the minimum charge of 5/- per week. Assistance can be provided for up to 44 hours in any week, but the number of hours granted is dependent on the circumstances of each individual case. Priority is given to the provision of help in cases of domiciliary confinement, and cases of this nature normally continue for two weeks. In the Flaxton area there is considerable demand for assistance to cases of aged and chronic sick persons, and these cases are usually of long duration.

INFANT WELFARE CENTRES

The whole area is served either by static clinics in the major parishes or by attendance of the Mobile Clinic.

The County Council continues to be responsible for the distribution of Welfare Foods and much of the structure of the Ministry of Food is abolished. By utilising voluntary helpers at these clinics and by the very welcome co-operation of several tradesmen in the area, the efficient supply of these foods has been maintained at very little cost to the ratepayer.

MATERNITY HOSPITALS

Admissions are arranged by a person's own doctor. Booking clinics are held each Friday, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Health Services Centre, Duncombe Place, York.

TUBERCULOSIS CLINIC

Clinics held at 11 Castlegate, York, every Thursday except the fifth Thursday in each month, at 9.30 a.m.

CARE COMMITTEE

This Committee meets quarterly at Easingwold under the chairmanship of Lady Celia Milnes-Coates, and assists those cases of tuberculosis within the whole Bulmer area. Funds are provided by the County Council to cover expenditure of the Committee. Monetary grants cannot be made, but assistance in the purchase of clothing, fuel and food is given.

The County Council, in addition, provide free of cost, one pint of milk per day to such cases of tuberculosis as the Chest Physician recommends.

DIPHTHERIA AND SMALL-POX IMMUNISATION

Free immunisation is available. Your own Doctor will carry out the immunisation free of cost, or if preferred, children under 5 years of age can receive injections at Infant Welfare Centres on request.

POLIOMYELITIS VACCINATION

At present for persons born in 1933 or later. Applications to Area Health Office or own Doctor.

INFANT WELFARE CENTRES

Place	Time	District Served
Village Hall, Haxby.	Alternate Tuesdays, 2 p.m.	Haxby and Wigginton.
Folk Hall, New Earswick.	Alternate Wednesdays, 2 p.m.	New Earswick, Huntington and Earswick.
Parish Hall, Strensall.	First Thursday in each month at 2.30 p.m.	Strensall.
(M) Strensall Camp	Every four weeks on Tuesday at 10 a.m.	Strensall Camp Civilian Personnel.
Social Hall, Bell Farm Avenue, Huntington Road.	Each Wednesday, 1.30 p.m.	Huntington Road.
(M) Memorial Hall, Huntington.	Alternate Wednesdays, 2 p.m.	Huntington Village.
(M) Village Hall, Stockton-on-Forest.	Alternate Wednesdays, 2 p.m.	Stockton-on-Forest.
(M) Village Hall, Sand Hutton	Four weekly, Friday, 2 p.m.	Sand Hutton.
(M) The Vicarage, Skelton.	Four weekly, Friday, 2 p.m.	Skelton.
(M) Church Hall, Osbaldwick.	Alternate Thursdays, 2 p.m.	Osbaldwick, Heworth Without and Murton.
(M) Church Hall, Clifton	Alternate Fridays, 2 p.m.	Clifton Without, Rawcliffe.

(M) Denotes Mobile Clinic Sessions.
Ante-Natal facilities are available, if required, at all these sessions.

SPEECH CLINIC

By appointment only. Further details available from the Principal School Medical Officer, County Hall, Northallerton. (Tel. Northallerton 168).

CHILD GUIDANCE CLINIC

Held at Greystones, Clifton Hospital - by appointment only.

MENTAL HEALTH CLINICS

North Riding Mental Hospital, Clifton - By appointment.
York County Hospital, Monkgate, York - Monday at 2 p.m. - by appointment.

REGISTRAR OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS

Registrar: Mr. A.R. Tunnah, 'Oaklands', York Road, Haxby, York. (Tel. York 68229)
Hours : Haxby - Tuesday and Friday, 6 to 7 p.m.
56 Bootham, York - Monday, Wednesday and Saturday - 10 to 11 a.m. (Tel. York 55676).

REGISTRAR OF MARRIAGES

Registrar: Mr. N.J. Fielden, Market Place, Easingwold. (Tel. Easingwold 241) Normal office hours.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

	TOTAL CASES NOTIFIED												
	Under 1	1 - 2	3 - 4	5 - 9	10 - 14	15 - 24	25 - 44	45 - 64	Over 65	Age Unknown	Total	Admitted to Hospital	Deaths
Smallpox	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	-
Scarlet Fever	-	-	6	4	2	-	1	-	-	-	13	3	-
Enteric Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pneumonia	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	2	-	-
Erysipelas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-
Cerebro-Spinal Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ophthalmia neonatorum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dysentery	-	3	3	3	2	4	6	2	-	-	23	2	-
Malaria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Poliomyelitis	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-
Encephalitis lethargica	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Measles	2	31	32	142	12	-	-	-	-	-	219	-	-
Whooping Cough	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Meningococcal Infection	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	2	-	-

COMPARATIVE INCIDENCE OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES

	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958
Smallpox	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	23	34	11	11	13
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-
Enteric Fever	-	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	-	-	-	-
Pneumonia	5	3	6	6	2
Erysipelas	1	3	-	1	1
Cerebro-spinal Fever	-	-	-	-	-
Ophthalmia neonatorum	-	-	-	-	-
Dysentery	5	8	1	13	23
Malaria	1	-	-	-	-
Acute Poliomyelitis	2	2	-	-	1
Encephalitis lethargica	1	-	-	-	-
Measles	7	266	1	342	219
Whooping cough	12	6	31	9	-

TUBERCULOSIS

	New Cases				Deaths			
	Respiratory		Non-Respiratory		Respiratory		Non-Respiratory	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Under 1 year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 to 5 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 to 15 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 to 25 years	1	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
25 to 35 years	-	1*	-	2	-	-	-	-
35 to 45 years	-	-	-	-	-	1*	-	-
45 to 55 years	1	-	-	-	1 ϕ	-	-	-
55 to 65 years	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
65 years and upwards	1*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Age unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	4	5	-	3	1	1	-	-

* Patients in Clifton Hospital not resident in the area.
ϕ Patients in Fairfield Sanatorium not resident in the area.

INCIDENCE OF TUBERCULOSIS

YEAR	New Cases			Deaths		
	Respiratory	Non-Respiratory	Total	Respiratory	Non-Respiratory	Total
1954	6	1	7	6	-	6
1955	11	5	16	5	-	5
1956	12	3	15	3	-	3
1957	10	1	11	1	-	1
1958	9	3	12	2	-	2

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1958

To the Chairman and Members of the Flaxton Rural District Council

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to submit to you the Annual Report for the year 1958.

The year has not been eventful for any particular problem or difficulty. The difficulty of staffing remained with us throughout the year, but there was prospect of some appreciable improvement in the early part of 1959.

Generally speaking, the services provided by your Council have been reasonably well maintained. All properties throughout the rural district have available a piped supply of water, and there are very few properties which have not taken advantage of it. There has been no necessity for any extension, and broadly there has been no shortage of water. There have been no incidents which have given rise to any contamination or fear of contamination or loss of quality.

Similarly with sewerage, there are very few parishes now without a modern sewerage system and sewage disposal plant. Work on the Sand Hutton scheme has continued to proceed extremely slowly throughout the year, owing to the very bad ground conditions. Upon completion of this scheme, in the whole of the area there will be only three parishes not sewered. One of them, Lilling, has had a scheme prepared and approved by the Ministry, but is held up by the authority with whom this scheme is joint. It was suggested to the Ministry by the Council some two or three years ago that there was much to commend approval of a separate scheme for Lilling, but the Ministry continued to favour the joint proposal. The other two parishes, Towthorpe and Bossall with Buttercrambe, are really too scattered to enable sewerage to be effective and economical.

The refuse collection service, operating as it does throughout every parish in the district, is a weekly service, and there is also a weekly salvage collection service. These services have been maintained without complaint throughout the year, apart from the minor complaints which always arise from time to time from small isolated individual difficulties.

On the other hand, the private house building boom has continued with increased vigour, and this is giving rise to the overloading of your services in many places. Work upon enlargement of sewerage schemes has been commenced during the year at Skelton and at Osbaldwick, and a start was made upon the extensions of schemes at Strensall, Haxby and New Earswick during the current year 1959. If, however, the rate of building proceeds at the present level, further extensions will have to be put in hand, and I refer to this a little more fully under the heading "Sewerage and Sewage Disposal". For the same reason, I am very concerned as to the possibility of a serious shortage of water developing, due only to the lack of capacity of the mains at Skelton and Rawcliffe, and I think this justifies the most active and urgent attention of your Council if considerable hardship is to be avoided. I say this, bearing in mind particularly the length of time which always of necessity ensues in agreeing and completing any scheme of this kind.

The refuse removal service is also becoming overloaded by reason of the increasing number of properties to be dealt with, and has necessitated increasing overtime working and augmentation of the service which, during the year 1959, may well reach the stage when a reorganisation of the service will be necessary on the grounds of general economy.

18 houses were in course of erection during the year, 15 of which were completed by December 31st. This, of course, comprises a very considerable curtailment of your normal housing programme, necessitated by the reduction of grants being made available by the Government. A number of authorities, I believe, have continued a certain amount of building without grant aid, which will of course result in comparatively high rents for the houses newly erected, or if rents are pooled, an increase of rent in all existing properties. Nevertheless, the number of outstanding housing applications is not increasing. This, without doubt, is effected by your decision to refuse applications unless and until the applicant has been resident in the area of the Council for a period of not less than 5 years. It does seem necessary to me, in connection with this question of housing, that with the curtailment of the building programme, it is necessary to bear in mind that in effect the Local Authority have either ceased to be a housing authority or have become a very much more minor housing authority, being concerned only with keeping a list of applicants from whom can be chosen the most deserving cases to fill the odd houses which are vacated by existing tenants each year.

A matter of some concern to me, and one upon which I have from time to time reported to the Council, is that with the considerable activity which takes place in this Council's area, being immediately adjacent as it is to a larger city, with its limitation of staff, the effectiveness of inspection and supervision may fall far short of the standard one normally expects to be reached in a responsible local authority. A great deal of responsibility rests upon local government in many diverse matters. Repeated changes of staff, often very inexperienced, together with far more than an average amount of work devolving upon them is, in my view, a most unfortunate if not dangerous combination. This, as I see it, is particularly highlighted in the vast building programme which takes place in the area by private enterprise, and well over £1,000,000 worth of building work took place during the year under review. This, in itself, apart from the multitudinous other duties which devolve upon the comparatively small staff, can be reasonably said to demand a substantial body of fully experienced officers if maximum efficiency is to be achieved in the observance of all the various building and other byelaws for the administration of which the local authority is responsible. I make this comment not in any sense by way of complaint, but merely as a comment expressing anxiety that the local authority should fulfil its responsibilities effectively and well.

I would express, as I have done on so many previous occasions, my very sincere thanks to the Chairman of the Council, and to all the members, for their kindness to me, and tolerance, in the work of the department with which I am concerned. The understanding help and co-operation of the Council are matters which not only I personally, but all the staff of my department, appreciate considerably.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

L.B. PARKER,

Surveyor & Chief Public Health Inspector.

GENERAL STATISTICS OF THE AREA, 1958

	No. of Houses	Estimated Population	Acreage
Bossall-with-Buttercrambe	40	126	2,691
Claxton	57	180	838
Clifton Without	1,019	3,239	972
Earswick	83	262	1,111
Flaxton	105	332	1,865
Gate Helmsley	70	221	497
Harton	28	88	2,004
Haxby	768	2,441	2,206
Heworth Without	347	1,102	854
Holtby	31	97	981
Huntington	1,461	4,644	1,850
Lilling	51	161	1,769
Murton	117	371	844
New Earswick	711	2,259	784
Osbaldwick	801	2,546	645
Rawcliffe	576	1,830	784
Sand Hutton	50	158	2,242
Skelton	264	837	2,428
Stockton-on-Forest	261	828	3,268
Strensall	368	1,169	2,909
Camp	163	517	
Towthorpe	35	110	1,075
Upper Helmsley	12	37	833
Warthill	53	167	1,004
Wigginton	132	418	1,880
TOTALS	7,603	24,140	36,254

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PERSONS PER DWELLINGHOUSE

1901 Census	4.70 average of persons per house	
1911 "	4.39 " " " " "	
1921 "	4.29 " " " " "	
1931 "	3.83 " " " " "	
1939 "	3.75 " " " " "	(National Regisration)
1951 "	3.45 " " " " "	
1952 (Estimated)	3.51 " " " " "	
1953 "	3.31 " " " " "	
1954 "	3.32 " " " " "	
1955 "	3.29 " " " " "	
1956 "	3.27 " " " " "	
1957 "	3.25 " " " " "	
1958 "	3.18 " " " " "	

TABLE SHOWING WATER SUPPLY POSITION IN EACH PARISH

PARISH	Total Houses	Total Population	PIPED WATER SUPPLY								WELL SUPPLY		BOREHOLE SUPPLY	
			YORK WATERWORKS CO.				RYEDALE WATER BOARD							
			DIRECT TO HOUSE		STANDPIPE		DIRECT TO HOUSE		STANDPIPE					
			HOUSES	POP.	HOUSES	POP.	HOUSES	POP.	HOUSES	POP.	HOUSES	POP.	HOUSES	POP.
Bossall with Buttercrambe	40	126	-	-	-	-	34	107	-	-	6	19	-	-
Claxton	57	180	-	-	-	-	52	164	-	-	5	16	-	-
Clifton Without	1,019	3,239	1,019	3,239	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Earswick	83	262	83	262	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Flaxton	105	332	-	-	-	-	87	274	14	45	4	13	-	-
Gate Helmsley	70	221	-	-	-	-	65	205	-	-	5	16	-	-
Harton	28	88	-	-	-	-	22	69	-	-	6	19	-	-
Haxby	768	2,441	767	2,437	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	4	-	-
Heworth Without	347	1,102	347	1,102	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Holtby	31	97	-	-	-	-	28	87	-	-	3	10	-	-
Huntington	1,461	4,644	1,461	4,644	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lilling	51	161	-	-	-	-	51	161	-	-	-	-	-	-
Murton	117	371	114	361	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	10	-	-
New Earswick	711	2,259	711	2,259	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Osbaldwick	801	2,546	801	2,546	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rawcliffe	576	1,830	574	1,823	2	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sand Hutton	50	158	-	-	-	-	48	151	-	-	2	7	-	-
Skelton	264	837	248	785	4	13	-	-	-	-	8	26	4	13
Stockton-on-Forest	261	828	256	812	1	3	-	-	-	-	4	13	-	-
Strensall	368	1,169	-	-	-	-	359	1,140	-	-	9	29	-	-
Camp	163	517	163	517	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Towthorpe	35	110	35	110	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Upper Helmsley	12	37	-	-	-	-	11	34	-	-	1	3	-	-
Warthill	53	167	-	-	-	-	53	167	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wigginton	132	418	132	418	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	7,603	24,140	6,711	21,315	7	23	810	2,559	14	45	57	185	4	13

WATER SUPPLIES

All properties in the Council's area have a piped water supply available in the highway nearest to them, and it is true to say that there are very few properties in the area the owners of which have not taken advantage of this supply. Not a few of these properties outstanding are properties having demolition orders on them and they will ultimately be cleared. A small number of the remainder are set well back from the highway, and the cost of providing the long service pipe is a discouraging feature for obtaining supplies, but I consider that the picture generally is very satisfactory indeed.

The matter giving me the greatest concern in connection with water supply, as I have mentioned in the introduction to this report, is the possibility of shortage due to overloading by additional connections. The rate of building is unusually high, and undoubtedly the capacities of existing mains are being stretched to their utmost. This is particularly so at Skelton and Rawcliffe, and the only reason they are obtaining any water at all today is due entirely to the fact that the Council put in the 6" booster main along the Helmsley Road, and linked this back into the Skelton service some years ago. Despite this inter-linking, the position is now becoming very serious. Since this work was done, almost 500 houses have been built and occupied in these two parishes, and this will increase the demand for water by somewhere in the region of 35,000 gallons per day. This does not take into account the fact that there is an appreciable industrial user in the parish of Rawcliffe, consumption at which is continually increasing with the expansion of business. In addition, there is a hospital in the parish of Skelton, and Institutions of this kind are tending always to increase demand. Furthermore, there is in course of erection at the present time a model Slaughterhouse which may well be killing in the region of 300 or 400 animals per week, and the consumption of water at these parishes will be no minor item. This, of course, ignores the increasing demand on the York Waterworks Company's mains before they reach these two parishes, and I fear that an acute shortage may develop with very little warning. The augmentation of this supply is one which justifies the most urgent consideration. This problem is unfortunately becoming involved by reason of the proposed regionalisation of water. As I have pointed out to your Council, the local authority must continue to accept full responsibility for meeting the needs and requirements of their area without regard to the possibility or even probability of alterations of this kind, and I cannot stress too strongly the importance of your Council accepting this problem as a problem for which they must accept responsibility, in complete disassociation with any possible future alterations in the present system of control or administration.

PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY SERVICE

WATER
BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION REPORT

(YORK WATER)

AUTHORITY OR SENDER: FLAXTON R.D.C.
L. Parker, 56 Bootham, York.

LAB. REF. NO. P.5311
SENDER'S REF. NO. 1097

NATURE OF SAMPLE: Tap, 4 Bur Tree Cottages, Skelton.

REPORT

Plate Count. Yeastrel agar 2 days 37°C. aerobically - per ml.
Probable number of coliform bacilli, MacConkey 2 days, 37°C 0 per 100 ml.
" " faecal coli 0 per 100 ml.
Other examinations -
Remarks -

(Signed) D.J.H. PAYNE

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PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY SERVICE

WATER
BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION REPORT

(RYEDALE WATER)

AUTHORITY OR SENDER: FLAXTON R.D.C.
L. Parker, 56 Bootham, York.

LAB. REF. NO. P.5310
SENDER'S REF. NO. 1098

NATURE OF SAMPLE: Tap in Farmhouse, Church Farm, Strensall.

REPORT

Plate Count. Yeastrel agar 2 days 37°C aerobically - per ml.
Probable number of coliform bacilli, MacConkey 2 days, 37°C 0 per 100 ml.
" " faecal coli 0 per 100 ml.
Other examinations -
Remarks -

(Signed) D.J.H. PAYNE

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SEWERAGE & SEWAGE DISPOSAL

The only comment I wish to offer under this heading is first the problem which may be developing on account of the very large building programme which is taking place in the Council's district.

The Council will recall that the parishes adjacent to York were sewered and provided with piped water supplies between the war periods, and I think it is true to say that only to a very limited extent was this the case on the borders of the city outside this Council's area. This, in my view, has given rise to an unprecedented development in the area which is not being matched within the city, nor in any other district adjacent to the city. Apart from general administrative problems associated with such a programme, the schemes of sewerage which the Council provided and which were designed to serve existing properties, together with provision for normal anticipated development, never envisaged the mass programmes which have in fact gone forward. This, therefore, in my opinion, is a matter of some great importance to the Council, that they should recognise the fact that development on this scale, which could never have been envisaged, makes it abundantly clear that the general principles of the scheme are not suitable to the purpose and function which will be expected of them if this building programme continues. A building enterprise of this extent requires an equally enterprising outlook on the provision of services, and unless curtailment is achieved or saturation point reached, or alternatively other areas take some of the load, some considerable and costly reorganisation will become inevitable. It is frequently said, in this connection, that the ratepayers are getting the benefit of the rateable value, but it is very clear, if any thought is given to this matter, that provisions on the scale which I envisage will become necessary, and can only be achieved not out of the rateable value produced by these properties at the present rate level, but out of these properties together with all existing properties on a much higher rate level, and I think that this problem merits the very careful consideration of the members of the Council.

The only further point I wish to mention is that connections of existing properties to the Council's sewerage system are proceeding slowly, and one cannot avoid the thought that they should be speeded up and full advantage of the services which have been provided taken.

SCHEDULE OF SEWERAGE AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL SCHEMES IN THE AREA

Parishes served	Length of Sewer Yards	Year of Installation	Outfall
Strensall	2,870	1919	Council's works at Strensall
Clifton Without	810	1927/1930 1932	York sewers
Rawcliffe	580	1935	York sewers
Earswick	695	1937	Council's works at Haxby
Huntington	4,760	1937	Council's works at Haxby
Haxby	4,950	1937	Council's works at Haxby
Wigginton	770	1937	Council's works at Haxby
Osbaldwick & Murton	3,710	1937	Council's works at Osbaldwick
Rawcliffe	2,650	1938	Council's works at Rawcliffe
Skelton	1,270	1938	Council's works at Rawcliffe
S. Back Lane, Haxby	1,580	1938	Council's works at Haxby
Huntington Road	200	1938	Council's works at Haxby
Skelton Ext.	460	1938	Council's works at Rawcliffe
Mill Lane, Wigginton	850	1951	Council's works at Haxby
Claxton	376	1952	Council's works at Claxton
Stockton-on-Forest)	836	1953	Council's works at Stockton-on-Forest
Hopgrove)	282	1953	
Flaxton	1,825	1953	Council's works at Flaxton
Gate Helmsley	2,368	1954	Council's works at Gate Helmsley
Warthill	637	1955	Council's works at Warthill
Buttercrambe	70	1955	Council's works at Buttercrambe
Holtby	414	1956	Council's works at Holtby
Harton	1,027	1956	Council's works at Harton

DETAILS OF SEWAGE DISPOSAL WORKS AND PUMPING STATIONS

DISPOSAL WORKS

Situation	Area of Land Acres	Number and size of filter beds	Number and capacity of settlement tanks
Strensall	3	2 x 27' x 22'	1 x 10,000 gallons
Haxby (Wigginton, Earswick & Huntington)	6½	4 x 51' dia.	4 x 16,000 gallons
Osbaldwick (Murton)	3½	1 x 51' dia.	2 x 9,000 gallons
Rawcliffe (Skelton)	3	2 x 60' dia.	2 x 25,000 gallons
Claxton	1	1 x 29' dia.	1 x 2,250 gallons
Galtres (Heworth)	¼	1 x 29' dia.	1 x 4,000 gallons
Park Avenue (New Earswick part)	¼	1 x 25' dia.	2 x 3,000 gallons
Hilbra (Haxby part)	¼	1 x 25' dia.	2 x 1,000 gallons
Bean's (Heworth)	⅛	1 x 9'6" dia.	2 x 250 gallons
Stockton-on-Forest	1½	2 x 32' dia.	2 x 7,500 gallons
Flaxton	1	1 x 34' dia.	2 x 2,500 gallons
Gate Helmsley	1½	2 x 39' dia.	2 x 7,500 gallons
Warthill	¼	1 x 20' dia.	2 x 1,000 gallons
New Earswick	Maintained by J.R.V.T.		
Holtby	½	1 x 18' dia.	2 x 1,560 gallons
Harton	1/5	1 x 20' dia.	1 x 1,000 gallons
Buttercrambe	¼	1 x 10' dia.	1 x 500 gallons

PUMPING STATIONS

Initial Letter	Situation	Horse Power of Pumps	Size of Pumps	Output - in gallons per minute
A	Landing Lane	6	4"	200
B	Westfield Lane	3	3"	100
C	Park Estate	3	3"	60
E	Mill Hill	16	5"	400.
F	Earswick	4	3"	50
G	Meadowfields	7½	4"	250
H	Osbaldwick	12	4"	350
K	Fairfield	3	3"	120
L	Rawcliffe Lodge	12½	4"	280
M	Mental Hospital	3	3"	100
-	Rawcliffe Lane	3	3"	120
-	Bean's	3	2"	60
-	Park Avenue	2	3"	50
-	Hilbra Avenue	3	2"	50
-	Stockton-on-Forest	4	3"	75
-	Hopgrove Lane	5	3"	60
-	Warthill	-	30 gallon ejector	-
-	Strensall	3	3"	75
-	Holtby	2	15 gallon ejector	-

SEWAGE

METHODS OF DISPOSAL - PERCENTAGE ANALYSIS

Properties connected to proper sewerage and sewage disposal plants:

(a) Via Council's sewers to Council's disposal works	59.00%	
(b) Via Council's sewers to York City sewers	20.50%	
(c) Drained to private works producing a satisfactory effluent ...	10.40%	89.90%
Properties connected to other means of disposal:		
(a) To old village sewers discharging to watercourse	2.30%	
(b) To cesspools etc.	7.80%	10.10%
		100.00%

PROPERTIES SERVED BY SCHEMES OF SEWERAGE

Parish	Total Houses	Houses served by Scheme	Outfall of properties connected				Cesspools etc.
			Council's sewers and disposal wks.	City Sewers	Private Disposal Works	Old Sewers	
Bossall-with-Butter crambe	40	12	12	-	-	-	28
Claxton	57	51	34	-	-	17	6
Clifton Without	1,019	1,011	18	993	-	-	8
Earswick	83	67	60	-	-	5	18
Flaxton	105	88	55	-	-	13	37
Gate Helmsley	70	70	47	-	-	21	2
Harton	28	25	6	-	-	18	4
Haxby	768	752	696	-	-	17	55
Heworth Without	347	308	119	192	-	-	36
Holtby	31	22	9	-	-	5	17
Huntington	1,461	1,455	1,424	-	-	3	34
Lilling	51	51	-	-	-	18	33
Murton	117	81	81	-	-	-	36
New Earswick	711	704	76	-	628	-	7
Osbaldwick	801	780	630	136	-	-	35
Rawcliffe	576	560	356	204	-	-	16
Sand Hutton	50	-	-	-	-	40	10
Skelton	264	251	251	-	-	-	13
Stockton-on-Forest	261	160	150	-	-	18	93
Strensall	368	361	361	-	-	-	7
Camp	163	-	-	-	163	-	-
Towthorpe	35	35	-	-	-	-	35
Upper Helmsley	12	12	-	-	-	-	12
Warthill	53	38	32	-	-	-	21
Wigginton	132	86	76	-	-	16	40
TOTALS	7,603	6,980	4,493	1,525	791	191	603

REFUSE COLLECTION

I have already referred to the weekly collection of refuse and salvage which takes place throughout the Council's area. The most important item in this connection which will require the consideration of the Council is the difficulty now being encountered in maintaining a satisfactory service which is catering for many hundreds more houses, due to building progress, than it was designed for. The service is not suffering at the present time, as it is being maintained by overtime working and by relief vehicles helping out on the heavier days. The winter period will be a testing time when the quantities made available for collection are always at their heaviest. Whilst this overtime and relief working can continue for a period, it will reach the stage when it will be an economical propostion, and it is necessary therefore that as soon as possible the whole scheme be revised. In view of the gate collections, which is your Council's policy, this is not an easy task, by reason of the large variation in yield and time of collection between one parish and another. A scheme to be effective must be calculated as far as this is possible to give a full working day to the teams, but yet be capable of fulfilment, as no collections can be made the day after they are due as bins put out at gates are then returned to the house if not collected. Gate collection schemes lose a certain amount of their flexibility by the need to define specifically each day's work.

I thought it would be of interest to the Council, particularly as members have asked from time to time what would be the difference in cost between a gate collection and a door collection, to quote the cost returns which were made to the Municipal Treasurers 4 years ago. Of 77 rural districts whose costs were submitted, having a population range between 11,000 and 87,000, 43 collected from the door of the property and 34 from the curb. The average cost of collection from the door was £1,467 per 1,000 properties, and the average cost of collection from the curb was £903 per 1,000. This represents an increased cost of 60%, and I think that this can be taken as a fair representation of the increased cost which would arise were a door collection to be undertaken in this area.

REFUSE COLLECTION - WHOLE AREA BY DIRECT LABOUR

Parish or Village	No. of Properties served	Population	Means of Disposal Controlled Tipping at :
Bossall with Buttercrambe	28	89	Towthorpe
Claxton	48	152	"
Clifton Without	1,009	3,208	Skelton
Earswick	75	238	Towthorpe
Flaxton	87	276	"
Gate Helmsley	63	200	"
Harton	24	76	"
Haxby	726	2,308	"
Heworth Without	325	1,033	"
Holtby	18	57	"
Huntington	1,429	4,544	"
Lillings Ambo	42	133	"
Murton	115	365	"
New Earswick	711	2,260	"
Osbaldwick	683	2,171	"
Rawcliffe	572	1,818	Skelton
Sand Hutton	41	130	Towthorpe
Skelton	231	734	Skelton
Stockton-on-Forest	223	709	Towthorpe
Strensall	337	1,071	"
Towthorpe	32	101	"
Upper Helmsley	10	31	"
Warthill	34	108	"
Wigginton	109	346	"
	6,938	22,158	

SALVAGE

Details of the collection of salvage for the last three years are set out below:

1956

Material	Weight Tons	Cwts.	Qrs.	Lbs.	Value £	s.	d.
Woollens		1	2	2	10.	19.	10.
Rags	1	5	1	0	34.	14.	6.
Mixed Waste Paper	38	5	1	0	293.	5.	10.
Cardboard	4	15	0	0	42.	15.	0.
Scrap Metal 5½ loads					11.	0.	0.
Cast Iron	1	13	0	0	8.	5.	0.
Lead & Scrap Iron	1	10	0	0	7.	10.	0.
Kitchen Waste 125 bins					101.	13.	9.
	47	10	0	2	£510.	3.	11.

1957

Material	Weight Tons.	Cwts.	Qrs.	Lbs.	Value £	s.	d.
Woollens		5	0	4	13.	12.	6.
Rags		12	0	7	44.	3.	0.
Mixed Waste Paper	85	12	1	0	546.	17.	0.
Cardboard	6	16	0	0	72.	2.	11.
Scrap Metal		5	1	2	18.	19.	6.
Scrap Iron	1	4	0	0	6.	0.	0.
Kitchen Waste (131 bins)					106.	8.	9.
TOTAL	94	14	2	13	£808.	3.	8.

1958

Material	Tons.	Cwts.	Qrs.	Lbs.	£	s.	d.
Woollens		1	0	20	4.	6.	9.
Rags	1	2	3	0	21.	7.	6.
Mixed Waste Paper	54	11	0	0	381.	17.	0.
Cardboard	12	1	0	0	102.	8.	6.
Scrap Metal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scrap Iron (2 loads)					4.	0.	0.
Kitchen Waste (100 bins)					82.	1.	7.
TOTAL	67	15	3	20	£596.	1.	4.

SALVAGE

Parish	No. of bins distributed 1954	1955	1956	1957	1958
Clifton Without/Rawcliffe	27	22	20	16	16
Haxby	11	11	9	9	9
New Earswick	31	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	69	33	29	25	25

FACTORIES ACT

The tables required by the Ministry of Labour are set out below:

FACTORIES

Mechanical	
Bakeries	3
Breweries	1
Brick making	2
Caravan construction	1
Clothing manufacturers	1
Concrete block making	1
Engineering works	1
Firewood - sawmills	5
Furniture manufacturers	1
Joinery	6
Motor vehicle repairs	22
Paper baling	2
Scientific instruments	1
Tanneries	1
Letter Press Printing	1
Laundry	1
	50

Non-Mechanical	
Grease & Dripping Extraction	2
Agricultural Engineers	1
	3

Outworkers 56

INSPECTIONS FOR PURPOSES OF PROVISIONS AS TO HEALTH

Premises	Number on Register	Inspections	Notices	Prosecutions
(i) Factories in which Sec. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are enforced by the local authority	3	59	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) above in which Sec. 7 is enforced by the local authority	50	73	-	-
(iii) Other premises in which Sec. 7 is enforced by the local authority	-	-	-	-

SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA

COMPLAINTS

Number of general complaints received	71
Number of general complaints investigated	71
Number where action taken	61
Number where no action taken	10
Number of Council House complaints received	1027
Number of Council House complaints investigated	1027
Number where action taken	984
Number where no action taken	43
Number of complaints received under Prevention of Damage by Pests Act	15
Number investigated	15
Number where action taken	15

TABLE OF NOTICES SERVED

Notices served under the:	Informal	Statutory
Public Health Act 1936	115	5
Housing Act, 1936/1957	-	3
Food & Drugs Act, 1955	8	-
Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949	15	-
Water Act, 1945	-	-
Factories Act, 1937 (Sec. 34)	5	-
Rent Act, 1957	-	12

TABULAR STATEMENT OF INSPECTIONS

Ashplaces and Ashbins	2
Cesspools and Sewage Tanks	131
Closets - Water	12
- Pail	6
Complaints	124
Dairies, Milkshops and Milkstores	14
Drains - inspected	1976
- tested	1204
Factories	34
Food Shops -	
Butchers Shops	6
Fish Shops	37
Greengrocers	1
Grocers Shops	43
Ice Cream	32
Restaurant kitchens	3
Slaughterhouses	667
Other Food Shops	13
Food Inspections	5
Meat Inspections	1885
Housing -	
Houses repairable	63
Not repairable	22
Improvement Areas	5
Overcrowding	2
Infectious Disease investigation	14
Meetings, Interviews & Miscellaneous visits	644
Nuisances found	28
Offensive Trade Premises	59
Outworkers	1
Rats & Mice Destruction	18
Re-inspections - Housing	6
- Infectious Disease	2
- Nuisances	7
- Verminous premises	6
Samples - Water	25
- Effluents	6
Shops Act, 1934	4
Smoke Observations	69
Streets, Roads, Courts	1
Tips	1
Temporary dwellings	12
Verminous Premises	1
Wells	2
Water Supplies	86
Workshops and Workplaces	4
Buildings in course or erection	7221
Sites	1181
Special visits	111
Foundations	747
Carried forward	16,543

TABULAR STATEMENT OF INSPECTIONS

(Contd.)

Brought forward	16,543
Completed houses	365
Other	123
Contraventions of building byelaws	51
Defects found	1
Dykes and watercourses	86
Dangerous structures	15
Land surveys	59
Sewage disposal and sewerage works	114
Council house property	4,857
Petrol stores	31
Refuse collection and salvage	52
Prosecutions	3
Town Planning	1
Footpaths & Rights of Way	105
Street Naming	185
Housing applications investigated	26
Disrepair certificates	32
Improvement Grants	18
Fire Certificates	4
	22,671

HOUSING

1. Inspection of Dwellinghouses during the year:

(1) (a) Total number of houses inspected for defects under the Public Health & Housing Acts 135

(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose 174

(2) (a) Number of dwellinghouses included in (1) above which were inspected and recorded under the Housing (Consolidated) Regulations, 1925 to 1932 22

(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose 28

(3) Number of dwellinghouses found to be in a state so dangerous to health as to be unfit for human habitation 6

(4) Number of dwellinghouses (exclusive of those referred to in (3) above) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation .. 129

2. Remedy of defects without service of formal notices:

Number of dwellinghouses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or by their officers 115

3. Action under Statutory Powers:

(a) Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 and 12 of the Housing Acts 1936 & 1957:

(i) Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs ..... NIL

(ii) Number of houses rendered fit after service of formal notices:

(a) by owners ..... NIL

(b) Proceedings under the Public Health Act, 1936:

(i) Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs 5

(ii) Number of dwellinghouses rendered fit after service of formal notices:

(a) by owners 5

(b) by Local Authority in default of owners ..... NIL

Contd./ ..... 24.

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(c) Proceedings under Sections 16, 17, 19, 21 and 23 of the Housing Act, 1957:

(i)	Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made	3
(ii)	Number of dwellinghouses demolished	9
(iii)	Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made	NIL
(iv)	Number of underground rooms or tenements in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the rooms having been rendered fit	NIL
(v)	Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which undertakings were given by owners to bring the properties to a standard in compliance with the Housing Act	NIL
(vi)	Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which undertakings were given by owners not to use premises for human habitation	NIL

4. Housing Act, 1936 - Part IV - Overcrowding:

(a)	(i)	Number of dwellinghouses overcrowded at the end of the year	No Record
	(ii)	Number of families dwelling therein	
	(iii)	Number of persons dwelling therein	
(b)		Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year ...	NIL
(c)	(i)	Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year	23
	(ii)	Number of persons concerned in such cases	69
(d)		Particulars of any cases in which dwellinghouses have again become overcrowded after the Local Authority have taken steps to abate the overcrowding	NIL
(e)		Any other particulars with respect to overcrowding which it is considered desirable to report	NIL

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The following table shows the number of applications received under this Act for the last five years, together with number of cases in which Improvement Grants have been made:

Year	No. of Applications Received	No. of Applications Approved	No. of Applications Disapproved, deferred or not proceeded with
1954	25	6	19
1955	36	24	12
1956	46	30	16
1957	25	14	11
1958	29	16	13

MOBILE & TEMPORARY DWELLINGS

Caravan Site

There is only one licensed caravan site in the Council's area, and this has a planning restriction limiting the number of caravans to be placed on the site to 74, and the site must be cleared annually in October.

The table given below sets out the number of individually licensed caravans in the area, together with the number removed and brought into the district during the last five years:

Year	No. of Caravans brought into area	No. of Caravans removed from area	Total number of Licensed Caravans in Area
1954	-	-	4
1955	1	1	4
1956	3	-	7
1957	1	1	7
1958	5	4	8

HOUSES CONSTRUCTED BY THE COUNCIL

PARISH	Single Bedroom Bungalows	2 Bedroom Bungalows	Tarran Prefabs (2-Bed.)	2-Bedroom Houses	3-Bed Brick Houses	3-Bed. Airey Houses	4-Bed. room Houses	TOTAL
Butterwrambe				4	2			6
Claxton				4	8			12
Flaxton	2			2	6	6		16
Gate Helmsley				4	8			12
Harton				2	2			4
Haxby	24		16	24	95		3	162
Huntington	16		21	15	85	10	1	148
Lilling					2			2
Osbaldwick	18	8		17	21			64
Skelton	18	4		64	59	8	7	160
Stockton/Forest	6	4		20	30		2	62
Strensall	22	3 *	13	10	48	8	2	106
Warthill				2	2			4
Wigginton				4	7		1	12
TOTALS	106	19	50	172	375	32	16	770

SUMMARY OF HOUSING APPLICATIONS

YEAR	No. of applications on list on 1st January	New applications received during the year	No. of families rehoused	No. on list on 31st December
1946	355	271	50	576
1947	576	194	34	736 *
1948	340	243	112	471
1949	471	155	78	548
1950	548	174	75	647
1951	647	145	44	748
1952	748	111	51	808 *
1953	252	117	102	267
1954	267	115	132	250
1955	250	120	100	165 *
1956	165	165	72	250
1957	250	127	53	201
1958	201	93	69	197

* New registration carried out

DEPOSIT OF PLANS

The following table sets out the plans deposited with the Council under Streets & Buildings Byelaws and dealt with by the Plans Committee during the year:

Plans were deposited for the following buildings:

Dwellinghouses - Local Authority	10
- Private	652
Alterations and extensions to dwellinghouses	95
Agricultural buildings	19
Factory and business premises	13
Layouts	20
Miscellaneous (Schools, pavilions, garages, etc.)	326
TOTAL	1135

COMPARATIVE RECORD OF NEW HOUSES ERECTED

PRE-WAR	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940
By Flaxton R.D.C.	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	3	14	12	-
By private individuals and bodies	103	177	171	209	241	224	203	226	205	246	42
By other local authorities	92	310	275	-	52	213	90	170	140	-	-
TOTALS	195	487	446	209	293	442	293	399	359	258	42

POST-WAR	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958
By Flaxton R.D.C.	50	32	112	78	75	44	51	89	59	65	36	26	15
By private individuals and bodies	61	40	6	21	18	20	24	73	225	320	287	357	516
By other local authorities	20	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	131	72	118	99	93	64	82	162	284	385	323	383	531

MILK, MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

Table of Registration & Licences issued

	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958
No. of registered dairies	7	7	7	7	7
No. of retail purveyors	18	25	24	25	25
No. of licences issued to sell Pasteurised Milk	16	15	20	22	22
No. of licences issued to sell Sterilised Milk	2	3	4	5	7
No. of licenses issued to sell Tuberculin Tested Milk	13	15	16	19	18

MEAT

CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED

	Horses	Cattle	Cows	Calves	Sheep	Pigs
Number killed	-	435	173	37	832	262
Number inspected	-	435	173	37	832	262
All diseases except tuberculosis & cysticerci						
Whole carcases condemned	-	43	66	12	44	39
Part carcase or organ condemned	-	45	17	6	18	10
Percentage affected with disease other than tuberculosis and cysticerci	-	20.2%	40.7%	50%	7.6%	18.7%
Tuberculosis only						
Whole carcases condemned	-	8	10	-	-	-
Part carcase or organ condemned	-	15	3	-	-	9
Percentage affected with tuberculosis	-	5.3%	7.5%	-	-	3.4%
Cysticerci only						
Whole carcases condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Part carcase or organ condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-

TABLE OF FOOD SHOPS AND PREMISES

	No. in Area	Inspections Made
Bakehouses	3	6
Butchers' shops	9	6
Greengrocers and Grocers	27	44
Canteen & Restaurant kitchens	10	3
Fish Shops	6	37
General Stores	21	13

ICE CREAM

The following table shows the number of premises registered for the sale of pre-packed ice cream:

1954	1955	1956	1957	1958
25	33	34	35	41